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ARMED SUSPECT SHOT AFTER SHOOTING AT OFFICER

A Milwaukee Police Officer shot an armed suspect fired at a police officer before turning his gun on another officer. Police believe the suspect had already shot one man minutes before.

The incident began at 2:25 a.m. when police were called to the area of S. 15th and W. Mitchell Streets where there was a report of a subject with a gun. When uniformed officers were on foot checking the area, they heard breaking glass and gunshots coming from the area of the 1700 block of S. 14th Street, the scene of a house party where the suspect allegedly had been firing his gun.

One of the responding officers in the area observed a man who had been shot in the hand running past him on the street with the suspect in pursuit. The suspect fired at that uniformed officer but missed.

The suspect then turned and ran away from that officer into an alley in the 1700 block of S. 14th St. where he was confronted by another uniformed officer, a 27-year-old male with eight years of service on the MPD. That officer ordered the suspect to drop the gun, but the suspect refused. The officer discharged his weapon once, striking the suspect in the head. The suspect is in critical condition at this time. No officers were injured in the incident.

The suspect is 25-year-old male. He is currently on probation for a drug offense and was wanted on a municipal warrant for discharging a gun in the city limits.

Milwaukee Police recovered a handgun from the scene and numerous bullet casings that indicate shots were fired inside a house party in the 1700 block of S. 14th St., as well as outside in the alley. Among those in the house at the party was a 7-year-old girl. She was not injured. A 27-year-old male was shot in the hand, police believe by the suspect. His injuries are not believed to be life threatening.

As is standard operating procedure, the incident is under investigation by the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, and the officer was placed on administrative duty pending the completion of the investigation. The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office will make the final determination in the incident.